GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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OLD AGE HOMES
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of older persons admitted into old age homes have increased in recent years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government provides grants to the States to set up old age homes in the States;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned and released during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to set up more old age homes in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) No authentic data is available with the Ministry on the number of old age persons getting admitted into the old age homes in the country.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Ministry is implementing a Central Sector scheme of Integrated Programme for Older Persons (IPOP) under which grants are given to Implementing agencies i.e. Panchayati Raj Institutions/Local bodies, Non-Government Voluntary Organizations, State Government autonoumous/subordinate bodies, recognized education institutions, Youth Organizations and in exceptional cases, State Governments/UT administrations for running and maintenance of old age homes. No grant is provided for construction of old age homes.

(e) The States/UTs have been requested from time to time to identify eligible Government organizations, Panchayati Raj Institutions and Non-Governmental Organisations and recommend adequate number of such proposals for assistance under the Scheme of IPOP.